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(A) UPON PREPARATION OF THE PLAN BY THE SECRETARY, THE PLAN, EXCEPT FOR THE ELEMENTS THEREOF AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS (6) AND (7) IN SECTION 4 (B), SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL REVIEW THE SUBMITTED PLAN, AND MAKE ANY AMENDMENTS, REVISIONS OR CHANGES IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE. THE BOARD SHALL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS [[, UPON REASONABLE NOTICE,]] ON THE PLAN IN THE COUNTY OR COUNTIES AFFECTED BY THE PLAN, AND SHALL INVITE [[,]] [[IN A MANNER IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE,]] COMMENTS FROM APPROPRIATE UNITS OF FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, AND CIVIC GROUPS, PRIVATE PERSONS, AND INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS. THE BOARD SHALL GIVE AT LEAST 60 DAYS NOTICE BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO THE APPROPRIATE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AS WELL AS PUBLISHING NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER OF STATEWIDE CIRCULATION AND IN A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN OR HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION IN EACH AFFECTED COUNTY. THE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE PLAN FROM THE SECRETARY. AS A RESULT OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE CLOSE THEREOF, THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT THE PLAN, MAKING ANY AMENDMENTS, REVISIONS OR CHANGES, IF ANY, IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE.

THEREAFTER, THE BOARD SHALL RETURN THE PLAN TO THE SECRETARY, WHO, WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME, SHALL TRANSMIT THE PLAN TO THE GOVERNOR WITH ANY COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS HE HAS, AND WHATEVER FURTHER INFORMATION AND COMMENTS THE GOVERNOR MAY REQUEST.

UPON RECEIPT OF THE PLAN, THE GOVERNOR MAY APPROVE OR REJECT THE PLAN, OR RETURN IT TO THE SECRETARY WITH HIS COMMENTS THEREON. IF THE GOVERNOR TAKES NO ACTION ON THE PLAN WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF HIS RECEIPT THEREOF, THE PLAN SHALL BE DEEMED LEGALLY ADOPTED, AND SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE IN EFFECT. UPON SUCH CONTINGENCY OR UPON APPROVAL THEREOF, THE GOVERNOR SHALL FILE THE PLAN, TOGETHER WITH HIS COMMENTS, IF ANY, IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. AFTER SUCH FILING, THE GOVERNOR SHALL SUBMIT THE PLAN TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TOGETHER WITH HIS COMMENTS, IF ANY, BY TRANSMITTING COPIES TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES. THE GOVERNOR ALSO SHALL